

DAC
Meeting Minutes
17 November 2005

Place: Davis Conference Center

Time: 5:30-7:30

Present: Carol Goodson, Natalia Strong, Paula Jenkins, Lynna Kendall, Colleen Nichols, Suiska Rhodes, Karinda Henry, Cynthia Clark, Karla Duvall, Calvin Ward, Clinton Frohm, Shirley Ririe, Anne Marie Smith, Jean Irwin, Vince Bates, Tom Wood, Xan Johnson, Jane Nelson, Cathy Wilson, Julie Christofferson, Ferron Holt, Richard Mardsen, Beverly Hawkins, Donna Croft, Tamara Burnside, Barbara Prestwich, Kim Schaefer, Seth Sorenson, Norman Stevens.

NEXT MEETING: Location:

Welcome: Dinner and discussion among each other, Carol Goodson welcomed everyone to DAC meeting.

I. Topic: Favorite Part of the Networking Conference

Went around in a circle and every shared what they most enjoyed about the conference so far.

- Loved Lily Yeh, everyone thought she was very inspiring and it was a wonderful concept to turn something bad into something beautiful like she did with the run down areas of Philadelphia.
- Some people saw some of their old students there!
- There was a very fast response team from the conference center whenever something was needed.
- Question and Answer session was great to get a more in depth look at what Lily does.
- “All people want to contribute but don’t always know how”-Lily Yeh
- The teacher workshops were great.
- Classroom teachers were brave and some stepped out of their comfort zone.
- Principals mentioned that they want more music in the schools.
- Seeing the finished products, such as the masks, was fun.

III. Topic: Success in individual Districts

- Duchene – a lot of things are happening and they are off to a good start
- Uintah – changing from trimesters to semesters. There is a lot of confusion with the scheduling and making everything fit, especially the arts.
- Ogden City – they have one magnet school which is all taught through the arts. One school is getting their first band in January.
- Daggett – Jean Irwin has given them lots of inspiration. They are trying to get music in with a keyboarding class, the kids love it! At a recent faculty meeting the staff said they need an art specialist!
- Alpine – High schools arts working with elementary. They receive their grant. Principals are excited. Want to use prep class time for arts coordination. School is providing for 1 teacher in each school for the UAEA conference
- N. Criman(Not present) – Partnered with Sonic drive-in to promote for their performances, etc. Everyone at Sonic gets a flyer, everyone at performance gets a free drink.

- Weber Task Force – Secondary and elementary schools are trying to work together in the arts, mostly the dance and drama are involved right now.
- Rich – trying to get together a district wide arts “gathering” in the spring.
- Granite – there’s never been enough funds for music or the arts, out of 61 schools there are 6.1% teachers for band and orchestra, the parents are satisfied with this so they are raising money on their own.
- POPS(Shirlie) – setting up performances that are for children so they can see what they do. They are on their 9th special performance for elementary.
- CDT (Anne Marie Smith) – want to help provide POPS and other groups with their needs. They are going to do a “Blue so Blue” for an infinity event.
- Utah Arts Council – had a meeting with the head of housing in Utah. He wants funds for theaters, libraries, exhibits, etc in rural areas. Jean will ask for \$2000 here and there to develop community things.
- Tintic – Statistics: all students are in music 3 times a week, 50% of high schools students are in musical theater, 50% in high school band, 20% of all students are in visual art, 20% of teachers are here at the conference (2 people!). Discussed the difference between “people art” and “fine art”. He was raised in a family that played harmonicas and guitars, but that’s not considered fine art, that’s “people art”
- Secondary visual arts leader – secondary track was great, wants to see it grow.
- Drama team leader – trying to get Graduate programs back at the U of U
- Jane – impressed with the number of principals at the conference, had 17 or 18 people at the endorsement area!
- Carbon –strong ethnic groups, there are glimmers of hope for things to begin happening.
- CITES – loved the outcome of the endorsement table.
- Jordan – in-service for 170 at the school. Teaching social studies through music
- Washington – problem growing, teachers not in the arts revolted against in-service because they want it like the arts in-service, collaborating schools, National Anthem Program, they will sing all three versus as a congregation, they way it was made to be sung! Fundraiser for arts, trying to raise \$150 K.
- Davis – now doing all art forms in secondary. 7 teachers leaders, like knowing they can take charge.
- UT Symphony Opera – wants to use DAC’s to funnel into teacher. Will put out a survey to DAC’s and districts to see what their needs are.
- Davis – setting up team leaders. Concentrating a lot on music and art. Have and in-service every month
- Granite – exhibit in DO with student art, they value it, several principals would like to be “art schools”
- Iron – growth pains, 500 new students. They have a strong tradition of music and art but teachers are tired and discouraging. Art = Hope
- San Juan –makes herself unnecessary and lets students help students. Teachers don’t stay at the school very long, so students can’t get comfortable.
- Nebo – funding is moving towards art, moving 6th grade to elementary.
- Millard – new DAC this year! Try to enter art into all classes.